

## FRESH opportunities

FRESH, by Brookshires, is looking for eager students to work at the new store.

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## Behind the scenes

Students learn valuable skills through the theater department and their production *Fall of Troy*.

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## Football players juggle fatherhood off the field

By Chris Jones  
Sports Editor

Sophomore cornerback Jedrick Williams had to leave his hometown of Houston and his 2-year-old daughter, Hayden, to attend TJC and play football.

Other community colleges in Texas such as Blinn, Navarro, and Trinity Valley also recruited Williams but he felt like TJC reached out to him the most.

"The hardest thing about being away from my child is I only get to see her on the holidays, after the season and sometimes maybe on a long weekend," said Williams. "My child stays in Houston, so that is what makes it harder to be around her as often as I would like to be."

Closer to home, another young father juggles his responsibilities as a father while going to college and being a star player on the TJC football team.

Maurice Hood was just a junior at Robert E. Lee High School when his son was born. Still looking to graduate from high school, Hood was looking at a new and important chapter in his young, teenage life.

"When my son first

got here, I was excited but nervous at the same time," Hood said. "It was just an unbelievable feeling that I was fixing to be a father."

One of the true blessings Hood has is being able to live and go to school in Tyler which is the same city as, Za'Bryan, his 3-year-old son, and the

mother of his child lives. On the other hand, it is a real challenge with both parents attending college and doing activities outside of school, such as working and playing football.

"Football and school takes quite a bit of time away from Maurice and his son spending time together," said Rokeela Miller, Hood's girlfriend and mother of Hood's son.

"He is either at practice, football meetings,

school and on Saturdays he has games so he really doesn't get to see our son as much, but we all know it's for all the right reasons because he isn't out there in the streets living a negative lifestyle."

Being involved with family is a very important aspect also. Kids start to learn things at very young ages and one way a child gets to know their parents better is interaction with the parent or getting involved with different family activities.

"When I'm not busy with school or football, I really like to take my son swimming if it's hot outside and I like taking him to Chuck E. Cheese," Hood said. "If it's a pretty day outside, going to the park is always a favorite activity I like to do with my son."

Aside from players, coaches also understand that the time their players spend away from their families and the sacrifices they make to better their lives.

"It's very important to any father, let alone

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### QUALITY TIME TOGETHER:

Wide receiver Stephen Alfred spends time with his daughter Ma'Ryiah Alfred who lives in Newton, TX, more than three hours away.



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**ONE HAPPY FAMILY:** The Eijsink family traveled to China to pick up Kaya in July 2010. Their daughters are from left to right: Kaya, Lua, Shirin and Kinnie Eijsink.

## TJC families expand to include adopted children

By Kisha White  
Staff Writer

Each year thousands of foster children, abandoned and unwanted kids are placed with loving families. Staff members here on campus are enjoying life with new additions to their families.

"My life has changed. I understand life and love more since the first time I met Clayton," said Mitch Andrews, director of Principal Gifts, said about his adopted son.

The Andrews initially began the adoption process in Atlanta, looking at adopting from China. Then the couple moved back to their hometown of Tyler and found jobs

at TJC. Instead of international adoption the couple chose domestic adoption through an agency.

"Being an older parent is exciting because I know where I'm at in my life and it's a joy to be parents at our age. I can't imagine life without Clayton," said Andrews.

They began the adoption process and got interested in Green Acres Hope for 100 program and Christian based agency Loving Alternative here in Tyler.

"We adopted Clayton through the sister agency Breath of Life Ministries in Austin

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## South African student adapts to college life

By April Miller  
Student Life Editor

Casse sat on a plane in anticipation of what is almost impossible for many. With her mother by her side, she anxiously sat through an 18 hour quest in order to attend Tyler Junior College for fall 2008.

"On the plane, I had many thoughts going through my mind. I was more excited than sad to leave South Africa. I kind of like the unknown," said Casse.

Casse's decision to leave Durban, South Africa and attend TJC started with research. She found that Tyler Junior College was one of the top three junior colleges in the United States.

Though Casse's decision started with in-depth researching, the process of actually coming to TJC was not the easiest. Casse had to apply just like everyone else does. She had to obtain an I-20 from TJC which is a document that an international student receives from the college upon acceptance. Casse had to take the I-20 to the American Embassy with proof of financial stability for the years she would be attending college. At that point the Embassy would either approve or deny the visa.

Casse was asked questions such as "Are you returning to South Africa? Why are you going to America and how long will you do this for?" If Casse had been denied, she wouldn't

have been able to fulfill her goal of making it to the U.S.

Fortunately, Casse was not denied. She had jumped through the hoops necessary in order to reach an experience that would change Casse's life forever.

Her plane had arrived to her destination. She stepped

**"It was a culture shock for me when I got here."**

—Chloe Casse  
Student

off of the plane and on to the grounds of the United States of America in Washington D.C. She felt a breeze of the indefinite brush against her skin. She had made it but her destination was not yet fulfilled. Casse then had to take another flight to Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas. From DFW, along with her mother, Casse rented a car and drove to Tyler, Texas. Once she reached Tyler, her destination had been fulfilled. She was finally here.

"It was a culture shock for me when I got here. Not so much with the people but with the way things are here. The food was different, like for breakfast people were eating pancakes. Back home that is a dessert. It was also more interracial relationships, nothing bad, just more boys and girls of a different race dating each other than I had seen back home," said Casse.

Casse and her mother stayed in a hotel together for about a week and then the time came for the two to depart. "When my mom left, I was so emotional. I had never experienced anything like that before but deep down in my heart I knew I'd be seeing her again which helped me come to terms with her leaving."

Later that day a man working at the hotel willingly drove Casse to TJC. She was there before any of the residents in her hall. "Being in the hall alone felt so lonely," said Casse.

Fortunately for Casse, the unfamiliar loneliness would soon end. Later that week it was time for all of the residents to move into Hudnall Hall and Casse would now be paired up with a roommate and share a bathroom with two suitemates.

"I was nervous at this point. I didn't know what to expect. Living with a complete stranger and sharing a bathroom with two more complete strangers was just nerve racking at first," said Casse.

Time passed and the relationship between Chloe, her roommate and suitemates became undeniably lovable, caring and understanding.

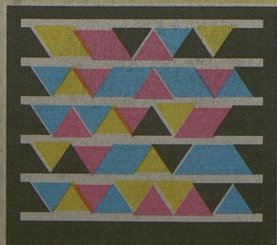
"Being Chloe's roommate was an eye opening experience for me. I learned that just because your different from someone, doesn't mean that

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### The Social Network

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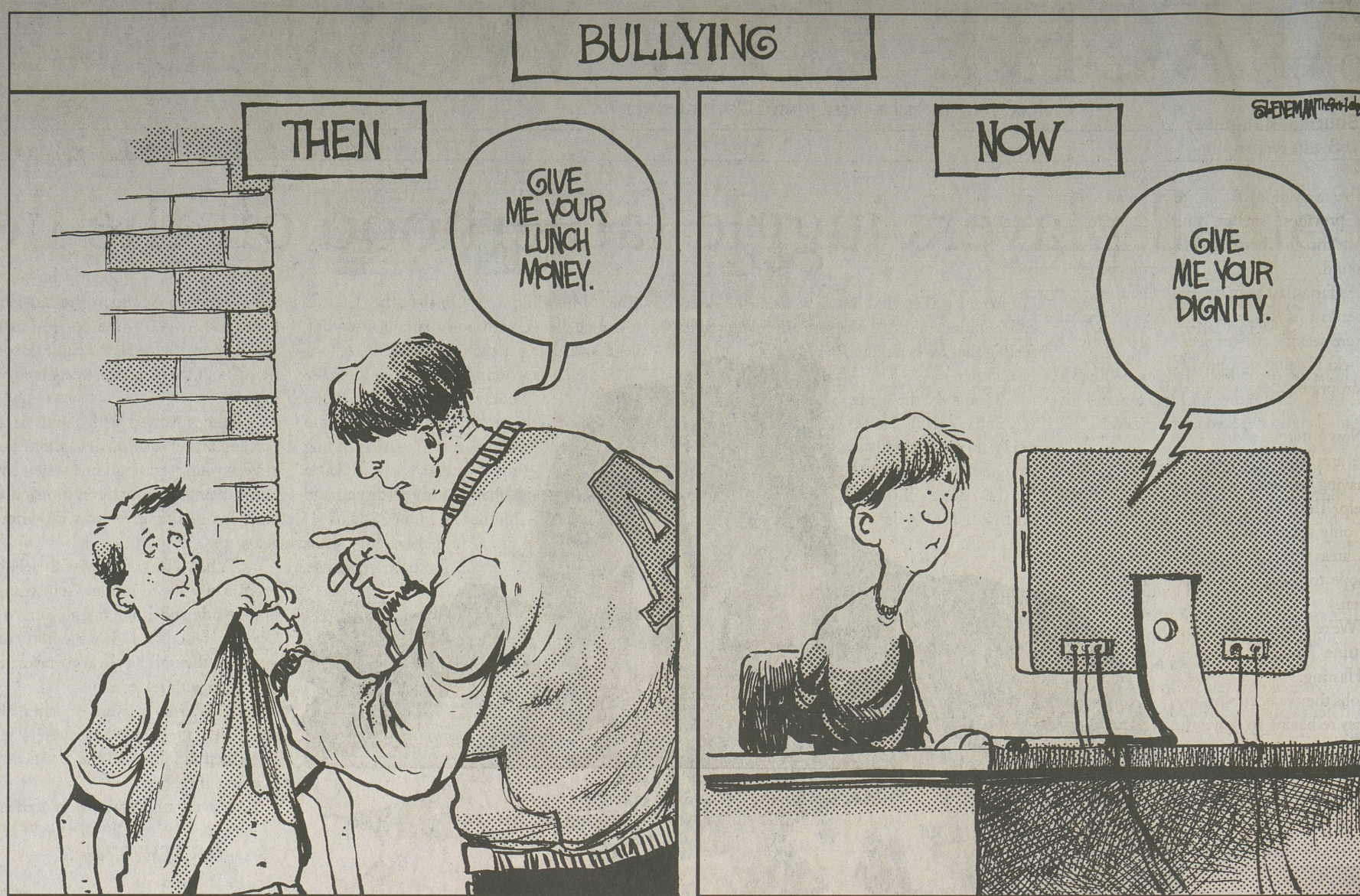
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## Overcoming trials to obtain triumphs

By Chantel Martin  
Editor in Chief

My outward appearance shows that I am black. But on the inside I am many colors. This has caused me to be a victim of bullying from elementary school to my junior year of high school.

I was never outgoing or popular. I never had a lot of friends. Growing up I moved from place to place and never really had a permanent or childhood home. I found friends in the characters in books. I saw adventure in my video games and comics, and I saw a way to connect with the outside world through shopping and reality television. And since I loved the Japanese culture, listened to different types of music and wore different types of clothing, people saw this as an opportunity to pick on me. Especially the "mean girls."

Adults would always say, "It's because they're jealous of you." But what did they have to be jealous of? Yes, boys did hit on me. But they began to bully me when

I had no interest in dating. And yes, teachers liked me because I always excelled in school plays and academics, but I was always one to take my grades seriously.

I was talked about, written about, physically assaulted and threatened many times. But I grew up. I focused on school. I got a job. I got an amazing boyfriend and two lifelong best friends. I feel sorry for the bullies and occasionally I wonder where they are now. I use their negative energies to thrive. I always say "You hate me now? Well, you are going to hate me later," because I will be successful and continue to pursue my dreams and ambitions.

However, not all of us can be so lucky. There have been many cases of teens committing suicide because of bullying. Seventeen-year-old Eric Mohat was called names, pushed, shoved and assaulted while in school. One day a bully publicly told him in class "Why don't you go home and shoot yourself. No one will miss you." He did.

Eighteen-year-old Jessica

Logan sent nude pictures of herself to her boyfriend through text message. When they broke up, he sent those pictures to people in other schools. Girls were calling her names and tormenting her. She went home and hung herself in her bedroom.

And the most recent result of bullying was when Tyler Clementi, an 18-year-old freshman from Rutgers University, jumped off the George Washington Bridge after his roommate secretly videotaped him having sexual intercourse with a man and uploaded the video online.

My heart goes out to all of these teens. And I support those who are victims of bullying now. In tragic outcomes like these, people look for someone to blame. Is it the parents, the bullies or the victims?

Stopbullyingnow.com noted that one incident of bullying happens every seven minutes and that adult intervention occurs 4 percent of the time and peer intervention occurs 11 percent of the time. So what can we do to

stop it? What can we do to help young people feel as if life isn't all about high school and your younger years? Life can start at college, after college, after marriage.

You can walk by someone and say, "I feel sorry for them." You can even walk by someone and actually feel sorry for them. But unless you do something about it, you only play the role as the person who could have stopped a traumatic experience, a suicide, a murder or a massacre.



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## Social networks create new forms of bullying

Social media has become a staple of our culture.

Sites like Myspace and Twitter have become rapidly popular. Facebook has become the most popular site and has even had a movie made about its creation. "The Social Network," which was released on Oct. 1, details the lives of the men who created and shaped Facebook into what it is today.

With sites such as these, there are also hidden dangers like giving out too much information that can lead to identity theft and a more common problem: cyber bullying.

There have been many reports of online harassment and damage from online bullying on these social network sites. Phoebe

Price was a 15-year-old student who had just immigrated to the United States from a small village in Ireland. She had problems adjusting to her new school and was incessantly harassed through Facebook by some of her classmates. On Jan. 14, she committed suicide. Her classmates just couldn't stop teasing her and saying mean things to her just because she came from Ireland. Is it really fair to bully someone because of where they come from?

However, this is not uncommon. According to a 2010 survey by the Cyber Bullying Research Center, 20 percent of all 11 to 18-year-olds have been victims of cyber bullying. That's two out of every 10 middle school and high school students in the country.

The survey went on to state that out of this percentage 20 percent of these students thought about suicide while 19 percent attempted suicide.

For a long time many researchers thought this was just a problem with middle school and high school students, but this problem is starting to expand into the collegiate environment.

Recently, Tyler Clementi, a freshman at Rutgers University, jumped off the George Washington Bridge to his death after being humiliated, taunted and teased via the Internet. Clementi's roommate Dharun Ravi streamed video of Clementi during an intimate encounter with a young man in the dorm room they shared. Ravi not only streamed video on the

Internet but also broadcast it to the world via his Twitter account. This was not the only time he did this. He also tried to show a broadcast of his roommate two days before he committed suicide. Ravi has been charged with invading Clementi's privacy. In a way, Ravi could be accused of triggering Clementi's suicide. He harassed him, humiliated him and broadcast his personal life for all the world to see.

Congress has started to take notice and a bill has already been put in motion to help prevent future cyber bullying. Representatives Linda Sanchez (D-CA) and Kenny Hulshof (R-MO) introduced the Megan

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## WHAT DO YOU THINK

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## Tyler shelter equips homeless in need

By Shurika Mumphrey  
Staff Writer

The Salvation Army of Tyler provides shelter and comfort for the homeless all year round.

"As far as last year, we saw a 50 percent increase in people that were seeking our services," said Vicki Hasting, community and corporate relations coordinator.

Now more than ever, people are losing their homes and having to turn to shelters for help. The Salvation Army is the only shelter in the East Texas area that offers shelter and hope to men, women and children.

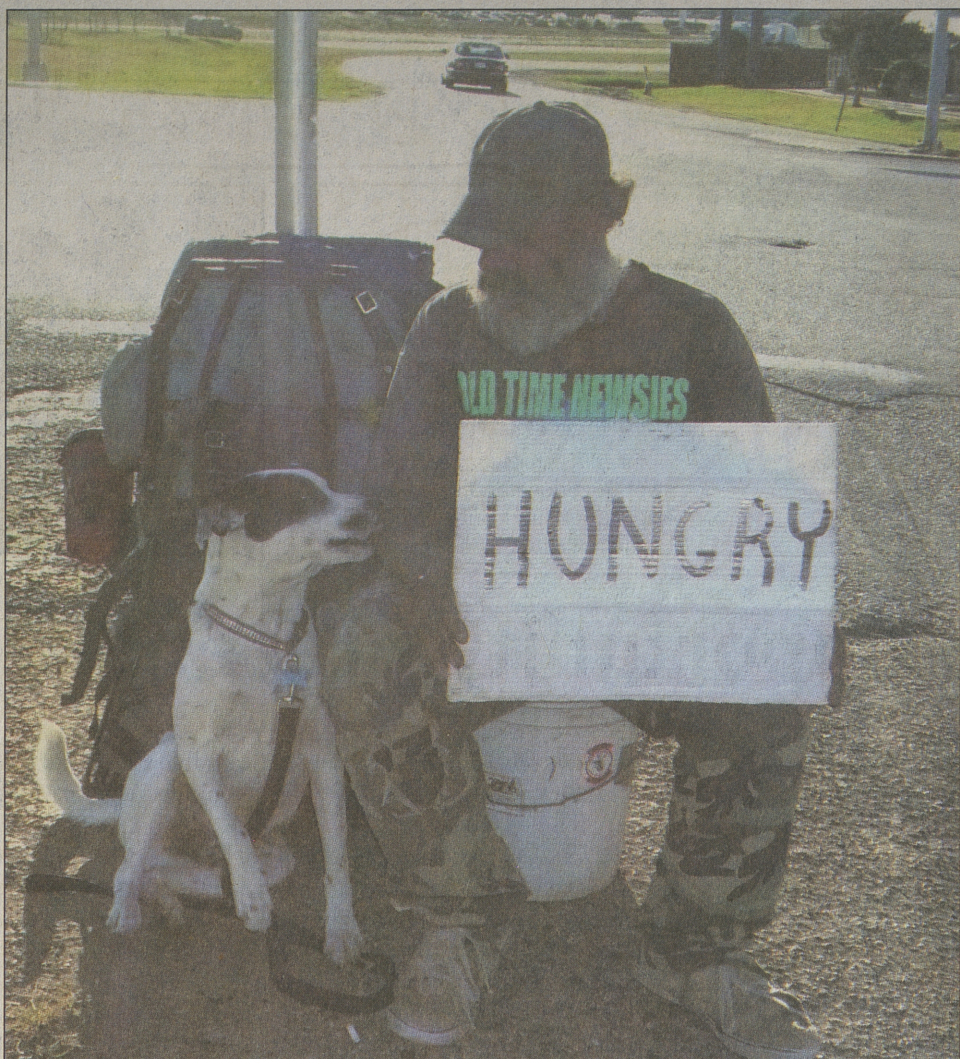
"We're seeing a lot more first time homeless people," said Hasting. "A lot of them have jobs they've been working, but they're having to make the decision whether to have the lights cut off or feed their family and that's not a choice that people should have to make."

There are two types of shelters available, the emergency shelter and the transitional shelter. The emergency shelter is open to people for a week. This shelter is mainly for the people who don't want to be in any programs or they just need a place to stay until they get settled. Most people only stay for a little while because they quickly get a job and get back on their feet. There can be some exceptions depending on the situation.

The transitional shelter is the main shelter. The people who stay longer get an actual room because they have agreed to stay and be a part of the programs that are offered. There are sections for single people and families, 90-120 days is the typical stay.

One thing the Salvation Army is trying to do this year is homelessness prevention, which is helping people

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**HELP:** A Vietnam veteran made homeless by Hurricane Katrina waits on the side of the road asking for help for him and his dog Patches.

Photo by April Miller

## News In Brief

### CAMPUS

#### FLU SHOTS

Flu shots that covers for influenza A, B and H1N1 are now available at the clinic. Students are encouraged to get free vaccines. For people who have the health program, it's free.

The cost for faculty without the health program is \$20, which has to be paid at the cashier's office before showing up at the clinic. People diagnosed with H1N1 will be quarantined for five days.

#### FORENSIC TEAM

The TJC forensic team attended the Forum in the Forest Tournaments Oct. 1-3. Seventeen colleges and universities attended these tournaments from three different states. TJC won 3rd place sweepstakes for the two tournaments combined. TJC's winners also included some individual awards.

Haley Wheat and Bill Goette were semi-finalists in parliamentary debate. Jawoine Hawkins won 5th place in prose and 5th place in dramatic interpretation. Tony McKinney won 6th place in poetry. Billie Goette won 6th place in extemporaneous speaking and was a semi finalist in impromptu speaking.

#### ADULT STUDENT WORKSHOP

TJC will present an adult student workshop on Oct. 19. Professional staff members will help returning students at the Roger Student Center. Expertise at this workshop will help any individual who needs retraining for a new career. For more information call (903) 510-2391.

#### GRADUATION

Nov. 1 is the last day for students to apply for December graduation. Any student completing graduation requirements at the end of fall semester should visit their academic advisor.



**TEXTING AND DRIVING:** The number of accidents caused by this terrible addiction increases each year, putting everyone on the road at risk.

Photo by Haley Smith

## Deadly Habits

### Texting while driving results in homicide

Haley Smith  
Staff Writer

There is a deadly addiction that is putting everyone in danger: texting while driving.

After a 20-year-old East Texas man was charged with criminally negligent homicide for causing an accident that resulted in the death of a young woman, students are now seeing that

texting while driving cannot be just fatal but also result in criminal charges.

"This is a very serious charge," DPS Spokesperson Trooper Jean Dark said. "This is not just a misdemeanor, this is a felony and people have to start paying attention to what is going on while they are driving."

According to Dark, negligence while driving ranges from texting or talking on the phone to putting on

make-up while driving and even includes bad vehicle maintenance. If the negligence leads to a death, then the driver can be charged with negligent homicide.

"Criminally negligent homicide is a charge that is for anyone who is operating a motor vehicle; basically anyone that we can show was negligent in their actions and that that negligence caused the death of another person,"

Dark said.

Even though in Texas phone use while driving is not illegal in most circumstances, it is very risk taking.

"It's not against the law to be on your cell phone when you're driving down the road, it's just dangerous," Tyler Police Department public information officer Don Martin said.

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## Thieves' new weapon: copy machines

By Irving Marmolejo  
News Editor

Digital Copy machines are not only a part of essential equipment in every office, company, library and every college campus, but they have also become the new modern weapon for identity thieves. Many college students who use these machines do not know how their personal information can fall into the hands of the wrong people.

"We have a total of 70 office and coin copy machines around campus which are supplied by Document Solution Inc," said Coordinator of Mail and Duplication services Dustin Felcman.

Digital copy machines have a hard drive and every document photocopied goes to the hard drive. People copy bank accounts, medical bills and more personal information that goes to the hard drive of that copy machine. Many copy machines have just a few security features. The problem does not start when a private or public company gets a copy machine, but when this company decides to replace or dispose of the old copy machine. The new owners will not only have

access to the new copy machine but they will also have access to the information saved in the hard drive if it was not properly wiped clean.

"When we pick a machine up and bring it to our place, before it is assigned to any other location, we initiate the hard drives on those machines to make sure all the information is kept private," said Stephen Hampton, Service Manager at East Texas Copy Solutions.

Because the information on many copy machines is not encrypted compared to a PC, it is ripe for identity theft. The information in some copy machine are so accessible; the program to obtain all the information is easily found on the internet. The information found on a copy machine could be more personal than the information found on a PC. Also, the amount of personal information stored in a single copy system could be extremely high and affect hundreds of people.

"We do not have many young people coming because their accounts have a possible identity theft. This is not because it is not happening;

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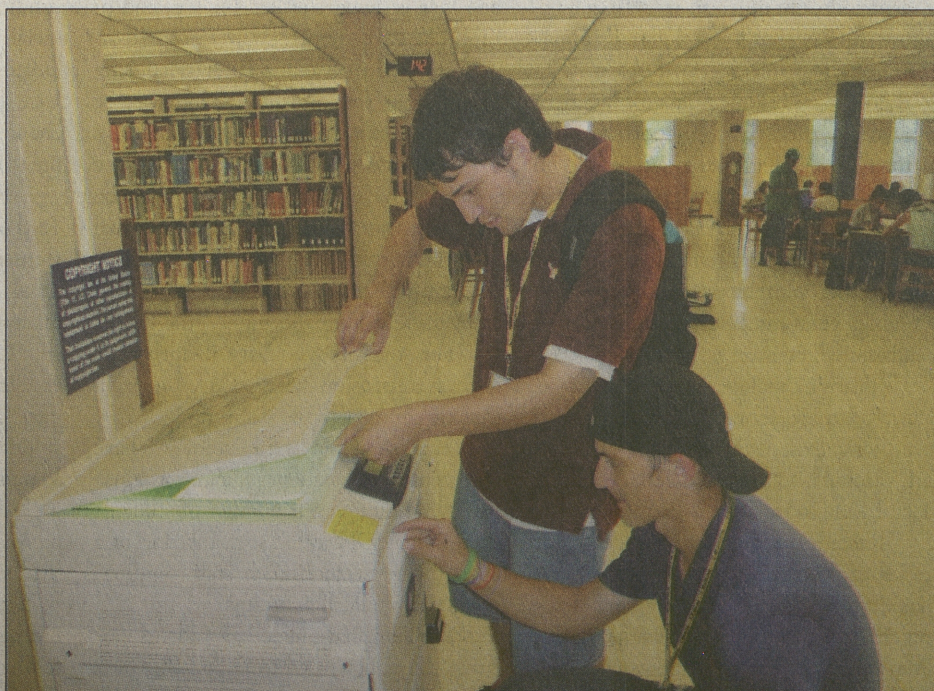


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**COPYING:** TJC students Bensen Sorrensen and Andrew Banek copy a document unaware that the copy machines keeps another copy on its hard drive.





Photo by Andrea Masenda  
**FRESH:** Left: The signature shoe is worn by Freshologist, FRESH managers.  
Right: FRESH managers answer questions and hand out applications in front of Rogers Student Center.



## A FRESH opportunity presented to TJC students

By Andrea Masenda  
Photo Editor

In a time of recession some students find that getting a job seems to be practically impossible. Nothing could be more enticing to TJC students than the job actually coming out to find those who may be looking for a part-time job.

FRESH, by Brookshire's, will be located at 6991 Old Jacksonville Highway in South Tyler and is the first of its kind in the area. It is a concept that was developed from our neighborhood Brookshire's and will only be available in Tyler. FRESH foods is similar to Central Market and Whole Foods, but it will be conveniently located within the Tyler community, rather than two hours away, which is the nearest Central Market from the TJC campus.

TJC students were recently invited to come and take part in the changing food industry in East Texas grocery, by being offered applications to work at the new store. On Sept. 29, three Fresh employees came to TJC and handed out

applications to prospective workers.

"I was excited to hear that the new store was coming to us. Usually it is so hard to go out and find jobs in a college area, but FRESH made it easy and it seems like a pretty cool place," said Jason Allen, TJC Sophomore.

The original concept of the store was developed two years ago, but the team knew that a lot of research would have to be done in order to execute such a plan. The team began driving to Dallas and other hub cities to various Central Markets and Whole Foods stores in order to figure out what people liked.

"The FRESH team crisscrossed the nation exploring the best grocery stores and improved upon the great things we discovered. The result is a shopping experience found nowhere else. FRESH is going to open up a readily accessible avenue for people from any culinary background to explore food in an exciting and fresh way," said Myste Snow, FRESH Marketing and Sales Manager.

FRESH is currently hiring and accepting applications to fill more than 300 available

positions. Throughout the month of October, the team will begin setting up group interviews followed by hiring that will begin Dec. 1. The FRESH managerial team was automatically attracted to the potential employees that TJC had to offer. FRESH emphasizes a combination of healthy foods, friendly smiles and customer service.

"We're looking for people with a fresh attitude with the willingness to work and learn," said Chase West, Fresh Resource Manager.

The team is looking for employees who are interested in food or who have food experience. FRESH food offers a combination of different tasting foods that cannot be found anywhere else in Tyler. Food offerings such as artisan breads, local and Texas products, a European deli filled with cold meats, extensive offerings of cheeses, cooking demonstrations, a full burrito bar, and outdoor grill, soup and salad bar and take-a-way chef prepared items for the entire family. These chef prepared items called a "Chef Case" will consist of "grab & go" dinners where anyone can pick up a meal for two, four or feed the entire

family.

"When open, the store's goal will be to amaze and delight people with a taste for something different," added Snow.

Although FRESH is putting a new spin on your typical Tyler grocery store, the 55,000 square foot store will still be equipped with traditional grocery items that can be found in neighborhood Brookshire's stores. Along with the traditional aspect as well as the expanded food service offerings, the store will also feature a coffee and gelato bar, organic as well as natural foods, gluten-free items, an expanded health and wellness area, as well as a pharmacy.

"FRESH will encourage customers to visit the store frequently in an old world market style to gather the freshest components for that day's meal," said Snow.

All interviews will be conducted at 200 Rice Road Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Fridays was 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For any other questions contact Myste Snow at [mystesnow@brookshires.com](mailto:mystesnow@brookshires.com). The grand opening for FRESH foods will be January 2011.



Photo by Andrea Masenda  
**PANTS ON THE GROUND:** TJC student in the Rogers Student Center Recreation Room standing with pants on the ground.

## GOTCHA!!!

### Violation results in disciplinary action

By Stacey Gonzalez  
Staff Writer

At Tyler Junior College, violation of student code, not only can result in a temporary warning, but also a deferral suspension.

According to Director of Student Judicial Programs and Support Services Damien N. Williams, any student who makes a violation of student conduct on or off campus is subject to disciplinary.

"The student is an ambassador of the college, wherever they are, and (if they violate code) they would come see me," said Williams.

Violations include cheating, misconduct, academic dishonesty, theft, damage or unauthorized use, using profanity language. Off campus violations include breaking federal, local or state laws.

"Records for the students violations are kept for up to seven years and are not shared with anyone," said Williams. Recorded files may be retained longer than seven years if a special circumstances, such as, suspension or expulsion or as deemed necessary by the Vice President of Student Affairs Johnny M. Moore.

At any time, a student has the right to

request to review their disciplinary

Students who violate the conduct policy are given a written warning or disciplinary probation, which means a student's behavior is being checked for a period of time.

"If student violates a deferred suspension as a final warning, then it can be moved to a suspension," said Williams.

"Now this is not high school, and the suspension will not be three days, it can be a semester or a full year. If it gets really bad then they could be expelled from their institution where they would not be able to come back to TJC."

For students who have financial aid, once a suspension takes effect, they will then owe money to the institution.

This semester some students have been sent to the student judicial coordinator. "Even though our number of students have went up, I haven't seen that big of a change" said Becky Branch, staff coordinator student judicial programs.

Problems have included students violating the policy of wearing an id/lanyard, criminal trespassing and other student code violations. On September 23 two students were observed outside Potter Hall without their lanyards/id, then a student reported

that another student took her lanyard.

Violations are to be reported by any faculty member on campus. Such as sending a student out of class for misuse of conduct and then reporting it to the judicial coordinator. The decision of the judicial coordinator is final, however the Vice President Johnny Moore can make changes after reviewing the report filed for the student.

The office for support services is held on the second floor of the Rogers Student Center building. Also considered for personal counseling, academic service assistance and tutoring request.

"The support services on campus is excellent, with personal experiences, I can guarantee the support achieved can get any student in line to further education," said Vanessa Vega business major.

"We are student advocate," said Williams. The department stretches all departments with any student issues. "We are here to help students move to the next level and ultimately graduate from this institution with an Associates Degree and go in to a four year degree institution somewhere."

The information for student code conduct can be found online under student handbook at the TJC website.

## Students give input on dorm visitation hours

By Reginald White  
Staff Writer

Tyler Junior College dorm residents have mixed emotions about hall visitation hours.

Normally when students are finished with their daily school and personal activities, they return to their dorm to then relax or entertain themselves.

Occasionally residents want to bring their friends or others to their rooms.

According to the Residential Life Handbook, "Visitation is considered a privilege within the residence hall system. Visitation hour limitations exist to ensure both the comfort and the security of all residents within the hall".

Dorm residents then have to check in with a residential assistant or RA, at their dorm and go through a log in procedure.

This rule only applies to opposite sexes. A resident of the same sex does not have to go through the same process.

The visitation hours for all TJC halls are from 8p.m. to 11:30p.m. This is believed to be enough time for students to visit each other, however some dorm residents disagree.

"I personally feel that it's enough time for my friend or someone to visit. We have enough time to do homework or watch a movie or whatever," Shanice Johnson, sophomore photography major who lives in Bateman hall.

Duane Johnson, freshman living in Ornelas hall said, "I don't think the hours are long enough, we don't have enough time to really enjoy are company."

He also says, "I think that they need to make the visitation hours longer, like from 7 to 12 or something, that would be perfect."

Another issue with visitation is not being able to have guest from other schools visit.

Students may have friends that go to other schools but are unable to spend the kind of time they want to with them.

"I think its stupid how we cant even invite people over from different schools. I mean I have friends all over Tyler and sometimes when we just want to invite someone over to play video games or whatever we cant," Hayden McGee, freshmen, living in Ornelas.

"I guess the rule about not having visitors from other schools is ok because they don't really have a way to monitor that person, as far if they go to another school or not, their background information and all that, I can kind of understand it, it still sucks," Kelcee Guyton, sophomore living in Ornelas.

In helping with monitoring students living on campus, TJC has several security campus located in each dorm.

This helps to make sure students are obeying the rules and to make sure there aren't any non-TJC students



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with utilities and rent.

A grant from the government called H.P.R.P, Homeless Prevention and Rapid Behaving Program, helps the Salvation Army with the funds they need to help others. The Salvation Army helps pay a months rent so that the people can get back on their feet.

"It's much harder once people become homeless for them to get back where they were," said Hasting.

They also try to help people that will be able to, with their help, succeed on their own.

"We're very concerned here about not being just a place to enable people. We want to help them succeed in life," said Hasting.

Their mission is to try to help people not become homeless. If they do, the Salvation Army shelter houses 200 people. Right now they have 130. It usually stays this number until the colder months then the numbers increase. There is also H.E.L.P. The H.E.L.P program stands for Holistic Employment Life Placement. The H.E.L.P personnel work with the people to help them find jobs, like if they need job training or education.

They're required everyday to go out and look for a job. If they have children, the Salvation Army will provide childcare so the parents are free to focus on getting a job. They don't house anyone who has aggravated assault or sexual assault convictions. They try to keep it really safe since they have women and children.

Another program the Salvation Army offers is Reconnect. This is the drug and alcohol Rehabilitation Program. This program can last 90-120 days depending on the person.

There is also a program called Home Sweet Home. The People who have gone through their programs and are ready to leave can apply

for it. The Salvation Army helps them get into a new home or apartment. The people at the Salvation Army have only one request and that is for people to not judge a book by its cover. They want to let people know that they tried the best they could to keep from being homeless.

One woman ended up at the shelter because she and her husband lost their jobs. She isn't receiving any help from the government but she is a part of the work program and has found a job.

"I think they need to come and just listen to people. Like I said, you never know when it's going to get yanked out from under you. You can't look at somebody and just form your opinion. You don't know what the situation is. I had no clue until it happened to me," she said.

Another woman has three kids; she had some problems with her husband and had to get away. She has family who are working on trying to get her out so she can have a place to stay.

"We deal with whatever life gives us. We deal with the cards that we are dealt. We do the best we can," she said.

The Salvation Army also has holiday events, halloween carnivals, movie nights and for Christmas and Thanksgiving they have a community meal they serve. All of the kids that stay there get signed up for the Angel Tree and receive gifts.

"I want people to know that we're here helping in almost every way people need help, from food assistance with our food pantry to disaster. Also, we're a fully functioning church with all kinds of discipleship programs, Bible studies and children's after-school programs," said Hasting.

For more information please contact the Salvation Army at (903) 592-4361. Their office hours are 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Editors Note: The people that were interviewed wished to remain anonymous due to their circumstances.

Photo by April Miller

**STREET:** Left: Millions of men, women and children found themselves on the street searching for the basic necessities to live every day.

TEXTING

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"Plus your insurance company might not like it, but bottom line you're not really violating any laws by being on your phone until they come out with a law that says you can't drive and be on the phone at the same time," said Martin.

Texas does have some laws in effect towards phone usage while driving. The law bans learners' permit holders in the first six months of driving, school bus drivers while driving if children are present and drivers under the age of 17 with restricted licenses from the use of cell phones and texting devices while driving.

The most recent law established in Texas outlaws drivers from using handheld cell phones in marked and active school crossing zones.

"If you're using a phone but you're on a hands free device, Bluetooth or whatever, that is allowed," Martin said. "If you've got the phone up to your ear or you're texting, then you're in violation of the law."

Bans on texting and phone use while driving have also been established in many states. According to Oprah.com, 19 states have banned texting while driving and seven states have banned using a handheld cell phone while driving.

Even though the bans are designed to help, a study released September 28, 2010 from the Highway Loss Data Institute (HLDI) states that since the bans, accidents have actually increased.

"Texting bans haven't reduced crashes at all," said president of both HLDI and the In-

urance Institute for Highway Safety Adrian Lund in a press release. "In a perverse twist, crashes increased in three of the four states we studied after the bans were enacted. It's an indication that texting bans might even increase the risk of texting for drivers who continue to do so despite the laws."

According to HLDI, young drivers are more likely to text while driving. The group most likely to text is 18 to 24-year-olds.

"Unfortunately in today's society we live in such a world where technology is pretty much for the most part the way we live," government major, Cory Smith said. "You've got your Facebook on your phone, texting, calling, Twitter and I think a lot of kids these days can't stay away from what's being said about them on Facebook or Twitter or whatever. So I think that the need is there to answer that when a text or whatever comes through."

HLDI also says that noncompliance is the most likely reason that texting bans aren't reducing crashes. Survey results specify that many drivers ignore the bans. According to the survey, many people who knew texting was illegal said they did not believe police were strongly enforcing the bans.

"But this doesn't explain why crashes increased after texting bans," Lund said. "If drivers were disregarding the bans, then the crash patterns should have remained steady. So clearly drivers did respond to the bans somehow and what they might have been doing was moving their phones down and out of sight when they texted in recognition that what they were doing was illegal. This could exacerbate the risk of texting by taking drivers' eyes further from the road and for a longer time."

Because of so many fatal crashes caused by distracted drivers on their phones, organizations against using the phone while driving have appeared. This includes Oprah Winfrey's "No Phone Zone" campaign.

Through this campaign, Oprah is asking people to sign a "No Phone Zone" pledge that states the signer will not text and/or talk on the phone while driving.

"I would do the texting pledge," sophomore Carlie Castagno said. "But I mean if I'm in the car going to Wal-Mart and my mom calls me and says hey, pick up this, I'm not just going to ignore her phone call. I would definitely do the texting because that's probably a safer idea but there could be like an emergency or something and I might need to pick up my phone while I'm driving."



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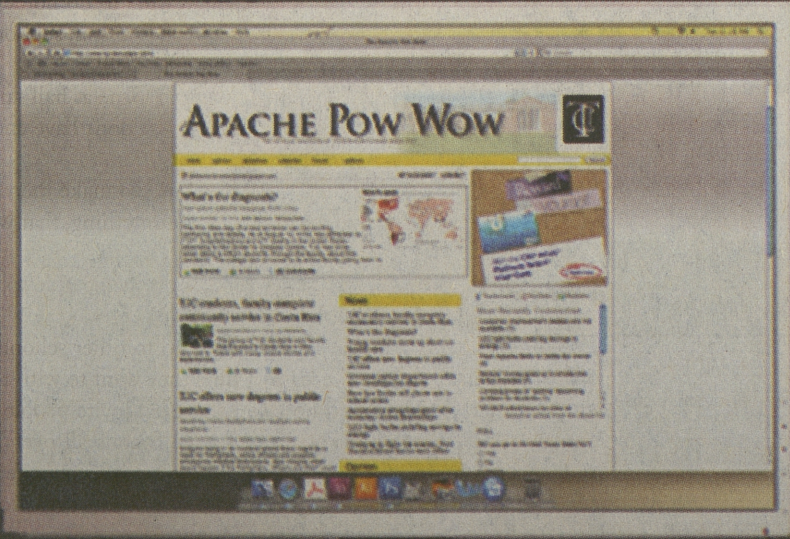
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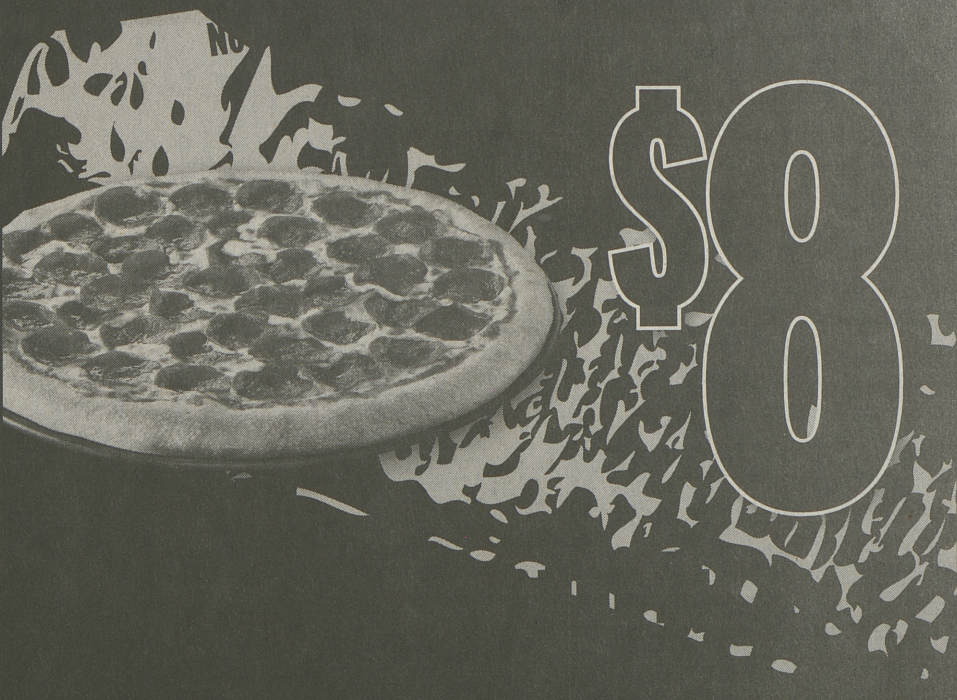
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## Students offered chance to get published in literary magazine

By Christopher Jones  
Staff writer

Students at Tyler Junior College will get a chance to show off their creative talent in the upcoming fifth edition of the Bell Tower Journal of the Arts.

The Bell Tower Journal consists of pictures, poems, short stories and other types of art created entirely by students.

Started in 2005 by Linda Gary, Ph.D. an instructor in the English department, Gary wanted more than a literary journal.

"I had approached Derrick White, an instructor in the Art department and Torrey Wiley, an instructor in Graphic Arts, to make this journal a collaboration of different art," Gary said.

Gary had said a lot of the larger college departments are very territorial and have journals of these types for each individual department. But this collaboration was a great idea for the students.

"This idea was very unusual on a lot of college campuses. Sometimes departments don't work well together, but TJC is very collegial," Gary said.

All submissions are entirely student entries and are chosen not only by teachers but also by students.

"To select the work that is submitted, a six-person selection committee is formed. The committee is three faculty members from each of the departments. These members choose one student from each department and they vote on all pieces submitted," Gary said about the selection committee.

All students chosen by the faculty to be part of the committee cannot submit material and usually don't know that they are even being considered.

"Derrick White just randomly asked me one day while I was sitting in the art lobby," Courtney Hollon, former TJC student, said about being chosen.

Although there are members from each department, all members vote on all work. It is not separated into the English voting for the poems and the Art department voting on the art. All members decide on each piece.

"I think it's very interesting. I think we have pretty high standards. The artwork is very fine as well as the literary works," said Richard Parrish, Ed.D., committee member for the English department.

Students on the committee are just as important and have their own opinions on the voting process.

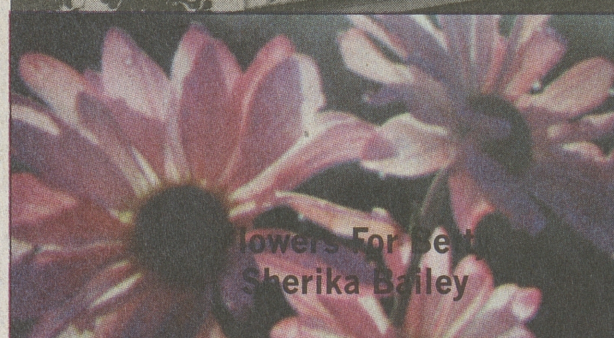
"If it amazed me and it looked cool, I didn't have to necessarily like it but I voted for it. It wasn't about my personal preference. I looked at it as open-minded as I could," Hollon said.

During the selection process, all submissions are anonymous. This is to keep possible favoritism from occurring. There are no names on the works the committee evaluates.

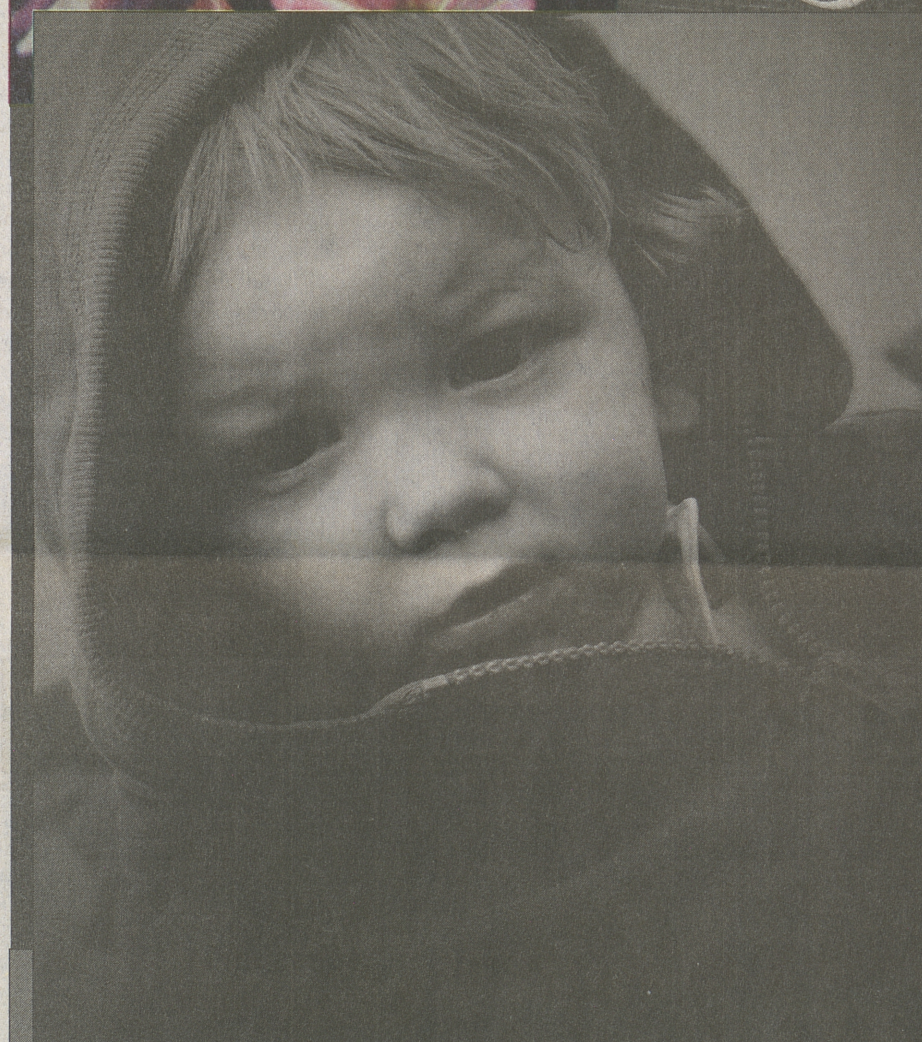
All works put into the journal are selected by a majority vote. Submissions receiving a 4, 5, or 6 are automatically put in the journal if space allows. Some submissions are set aside if a tie occurs and re-voted on later.

"All of the submissions deserve to be published, but it is a budget issue. I always encourage the students that weren't selected to submit it somewhere else because it was a good piece. We just didn't have the room," Gary said.

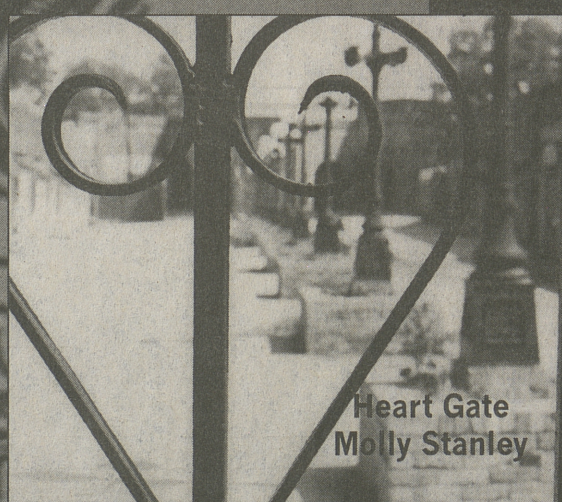
Students do not have to be majoring in any of the three departments to submit. Submissions are open to all students from all TJC campuses.



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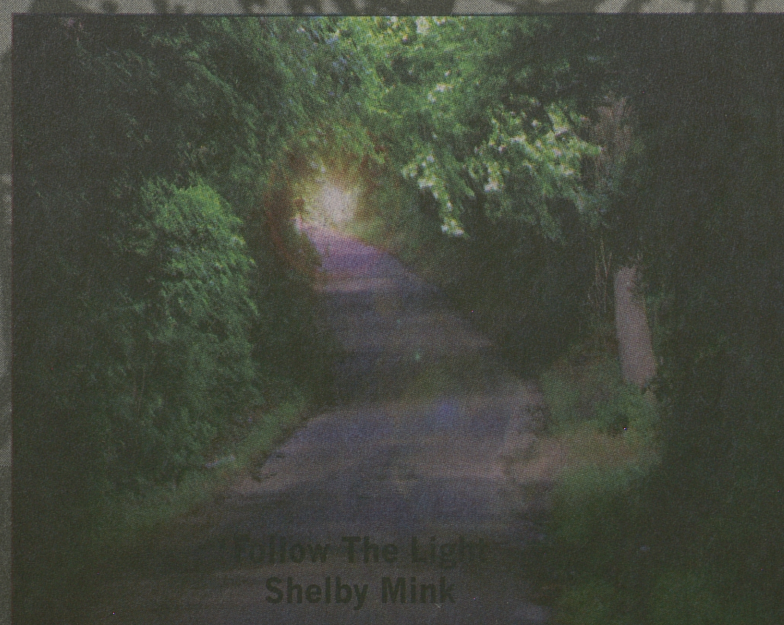
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# “ Women of Troy ”

## Theatre students work to create set for production

Kassidy Veraska  
Staff Writer

Bright lights flood the stage illuminating an elaborate set displaying Trojan scenery. This set may look like it was ordered from a catalogue, but it is actually the result of the different skills taught in Tyler Junior College's theater department.

When students sign up to work on an upcoming play, they get more than they bargained for. There are many more factors involved in getting a show ready besides the skill of acting and these students get the chance to experience them all.

"You've got set, light, sound, make-up, props, box office and house," Rebecca Faulds, TJC theater professor, said of the different crews involved in putting a show together.

All of these crews teach the students skills they will be able to use if they seek a career in the theater world.

One skill that a student can pick up while attending TJC is the art of costume making. Students learn how to research the mood, style and period of a show. If the costumes in a show have to look worn or stressed, they have to be handmade. This gives the students the opportunity to learn to sew and fit an actor's measurements. There is a lot of hemming and alterations involved in this crew giving the students plenty of time for practice and improvement.

"It mainly just takes patience, but you also have to be very, very accurate in your measurement," Faulds said of students learning basic sewing skills.

Theater students are also given the opportunity to step into their work clothes when learning different construction skills on the set crew. This crew deals with building the background scenery and set involved in the upcoming show. The students actually learn how to use a skill saw, power drill and nail gun while working in the shop. It gives the students a sense of what it is like to do physical labor.

"At first it was a little overwhelming because I didn't even know what the basic tools

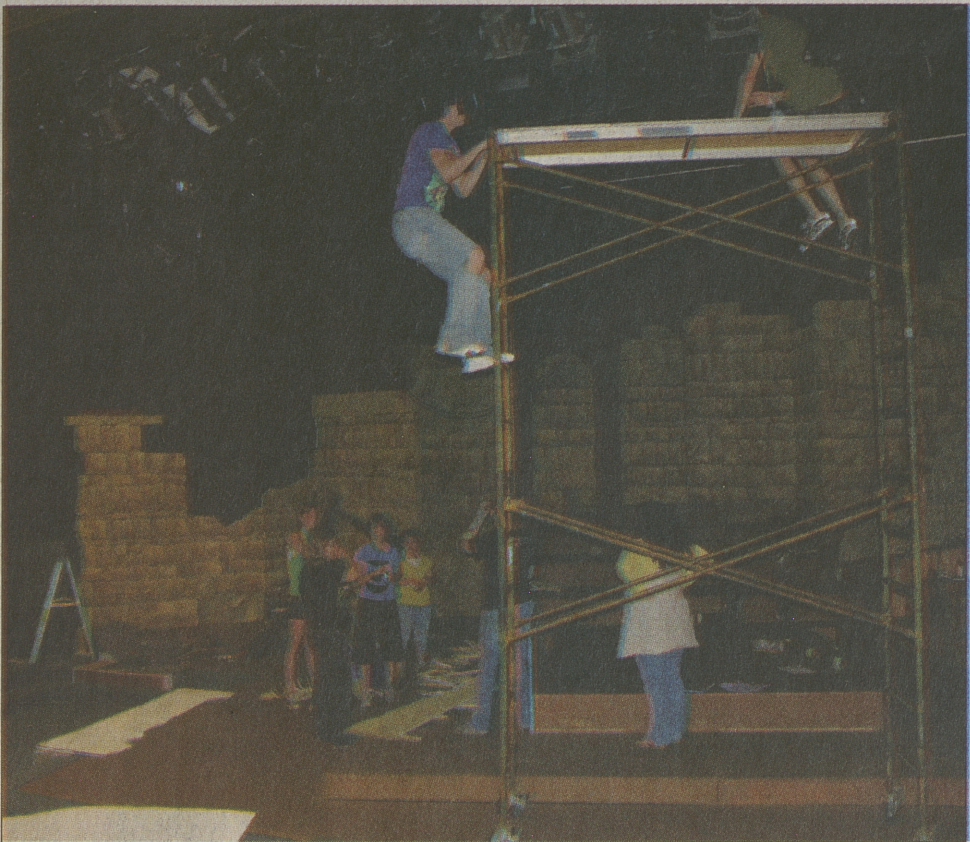


Photo by Andrea Masenda

**TROY:** Theatre students work to create the set of 'Troy.' Students had many jobs including lighting, sound and costume production.

were. You don't learn that stuff in high school," Allison Willoughby, a TJC sophomore, said. "Now, I can actually build things."

For the first show of the year, Fall of Troy, the students were presented with a rare chance to learn the skill of blacksmithing. The props crew is in charge of anything the actor uses on-stage that isn't a set piece. For this specific show, spears and chains needed to be made.

Jacque Shackelford, TJC theater professor and head of props crew, knew who to call to help her out and it just happened to be her husband, Glenn. "My husband, who is my partner in this props thing because he has so many

skills that we need, has kind of taken an interest in this department. Over the years he has made swords, made it rain on stage for Singing in the Rain and he built the airplane last year for Flight," Shackelford said.

So this year the new project became blacksmithing. After classes, students could be seen gathered under the shade of a tree with

Glenn Shackelford at the helm teaching a rare talent that the students could add to their repertoire.

"I think the students have thoroughly enjoyed it and they've learned a new skill," Shackelford said.

The different skills students learn at TJC begin to add up and look good when transferring to bigger colleges. The theater professors at TJC believe that it is beneficial for a student to begin their theater career at a junior college.

"I think particularly in the theater department you have a lot better chance of getting good roles.... It's all very hands-on here. Everybody gets to help with everything," Shackelford said.

Bigger universities usually use rotating crews, which only allows a certain number of people to work each show. At TJC, everybody gets an opportunity to help out on every show.

Some well-known actors even started off their careers by learning the hands-on theater knowledge offered at a junior college. According to the American Association of Community Colleges, Clint Eastwood, Morgan Freeman and Tom Hanks all attended a junior college at the beginning of their careers. These men also share the fact that they are all Academy Award recipients.

By looking at the career of a former TJC pupil, the current students are shown just how beneficial the skills they have learned can be. Shea Whigham is one of the most successful theater students to come out of the TJC theater department. He has acted in films alongside Anthony Hopkins, Edward Norton and Colin Farrell. One of his latest acting gigs was the new HBO show Boardwalk Empire, which has been directed by Academy Award winner Martin Scorsese. His success story is a prime example of what a junior college can do for a student.

Witnessing a former student's success has given some theater majors the determination they need and it has let them realize that not everything is beyond their reach.

"It makes me feel good about starting off at a junior college even when most aspiring actors hold themselves higher for going to prestigious acting schools," said Willoughby. "We learn everything that the kids from those schools do but on a more personal and hands-on level.... It gives me hope."

## VISITATION

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trespassing.

Destiny Brown, a sophomore desk assistant that also lives in Vaughn hall said, "the security cameras are very important, these are some big dorms and it has a lot of people here, and unfortunately everybody doesn't like following the rules all the time".

She also mentioned, "I'm glad we have the campus safety people around, because

some of these folks are just, ugh".

Campus security officers are sometimes called in to deal with dorm violations issues.

According to the Campus safety Operation Report, "while on patrol campus safety observed two students outside Ornelas A. They were reminded about no after hours visiting. Both students left the area."

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but, it is because young people do not check their credit reports on a regular basis or just because they do not know at what dimension this affects their financial future," said Samuel Mejorado, Assistant Vice President and Banking Officer at Prosperity Bank.

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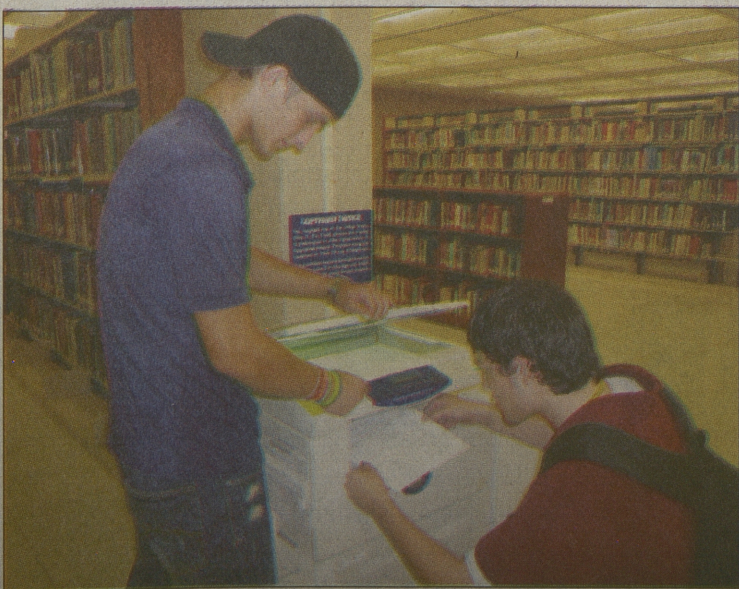


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**FRAUD:** New ways of fraud are putting students at risk because there are now simple ways to become victims.

## Jazz Ensemble Concert

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## Manager expected to perform well for team

### VOLLEYBALL

By Bridget Richardson  
Staff Writer

The real "Ace" on the volleyball team that many may overlook is the team manager.

"I expect them to complete the job that is asked to be completed," said Coach Shirley.

Although she may not be on the court during the game Coach Shirley expects the same amount of effort from the managers as she does from the players.

Making sure everything is packed and ready to go for tournaments and away games and filling out paper work are just some of the responsibilities that rest on the shoulders of TJC volleyball manger Ja'mira Alexander.

Coming from Beckville, TX, Alexander grew up playing volleyball starting in junior high all the way to college level. After injuring her foot during a volleyball match last year she could no longer participate in a sport that she loved.

However, she found another way to be apart of the team.

"I expect them to be apart of the team just as much as the players," said Coach Shirley.

When Coach Shirley came to TJC the volleyball team didn't have a manager. However, Coach Shirley wanted to change that. "Assistant Coach Aundrea Parker contacted me and asked if I was interested and if so to contact the new head coach," said Alexander.

Alexander takes on many different roles by keeping stats during games, doing the team laundry and seeing that everything that needed to get packed for the games and that it gets to the right place on time.

"We make sure everything is organized and ready for the team at anytime," said Alexander.

When it comes to get the team ready for away games and tournaments there are a number of assorted items that she must bring for the

players. For instance, each player has three different jerseys for the game and the managers have to make sure the numbers match up for each player. Also they pack their kneepads, their game socks and game tights. She also packs drinks and snacks for the team.

"They take a lot of stress off of us on game days--instead of us worrying about our uniforms, kneepads, socks, etc., we can focus on the game because we know our managers already have everything ready because they are simply amazing," said setter Bridget Hanafin.

Along with packing everything, she also keeps track of important contributions for each member of the team during the game.

"I just keep stats of every pass, every dig, every block and every hit," said Alexander.

She also helps put the stats that she takes during the game on the Internet.

After the game the managers take the players game clothes and wash them, hang them up and make sure they are ready for the next game.

Even though it takes a lot of time from their personal lives the ladies on the team do notice their hard work.

"It's really great when they are cheerful and excited about being with us volleyball girls and helping us out because it shows us how much they enjoy being a part of us and that means a lot to a team. Their efforts are very much appreciated by us all," said Hanafin.

Photo by Bridgette Richardson

Manager Ja'mira Alexander performs her duties by hanging up clothes for the volleyball team.



## Tennis needs change for limited mobility

### TENNIS

By Joshua Mumphrey  
Online Editor

Geoffrey Norton of Augusta, Ga., a former Tyler Junior College Tennis Tech member and wheelchair tennis coach, has one goal in mind: to make the lives of individuals with limited mobility more enjoyable.

"Interacting and getting involved through sports, building character, self value, and appreciation through competitiveness in tennis, are a few things of many, one learns along the way," Norton said.

Norton has been playing tennis since age 5, but never really thought his life could impact others, especially those with physical challenges.

"I never had the experience with wheelchair tennis actually, until my adult life, but once I met my first group of players; the 'crew,' it was in a sense infectious, which ultimately led me to

some of the coaching roles, getting to really know them as individuals and as teammates."

The bond had began to form between Norton and the crew, but there were still other issues that needed to be addressed.

His most difficult task, when he began, was communicating effectively with individuals with physical challenges. Putting himself in their shoes, was the only way, he felt able to teach technique, form and accuracy.

"I thought the most proactive way, I could teach them was to get a chair and do it myself. I wasn't going to know how to transfer information, or what they were experiencing just from them telling me," Norton said.

He reflected on his youth, and how he became interested in the sport.

"When I went to college, tennis wasn't my major and it wasn't something I planned on studying, it just happened," Norton said.

Norton remembers being at home, with his dad, who worked with neighbors and friends, keeping youth involved in physical activity.

"My dad mentioned that day, 'Wow, you just seem to have

a knack for going out there, saying the right things at the right time, working with those kids,' and from then on, I just thought I'll finish college and move on. In fact, that's how TJC came into the picture," he said.

At TJC, Norton got his start in tennis, being a student and elevating to a staff member of the Tennis Tech program.

"I enjoyed every minute of my time at TJC, and even when I went to school there, they had a really great program. I encourage the campus to get involved and try to get members on the team who do have physical challenges," said Norton.

"Inclusion is the big thing for students who are disabled. You don't have a class just for wheelchair folks. You don't have a class just for somebody who's handicapped in some way or another. Just because someone has disadvantages, you can't turn them down."

John Peterson, head tennis coach, spoke about what is needed to start a wheelchair tennis program at TJC.

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Photo Illustrations by: Joshua Mumphrey

## Sports medicine program takes over weight room

By Casey Stewart  
Staff Writer

Picture yourself in a walk-in closet with nothing there, pretty spacious; now just add a computer desk, some training equipment and a lot of sweaty athletics. Not so roomy anymore.

Yet that is exactly what the sport medicine staff and trainers have been dealing with during their brief stay at the Ornelas Health and Physical Education Center.

"It's a little crowded. We have all the athletes come in at one time," freshman Sports Medicine/Broadcast Journalism major Ysma Smith said.

For the past year the Tyler Junior College sports medicine program has had to find refuge in an old Ornelas free weight gym/racquet ball court while their new facility is being built. The temporary home has caused problems for the staff. Student trainers have complained of overcrowding when multiple athletes from soccer and football show up for treatment and the trainers have found problems with keeping the room clean because of the

weight room's old rubber floors.

Assistant Athletic Trainer Travis Gray's biggest concern with the temporary training office was the lack of space as well, but Gray also found problems with sounds echoing in the room.

"And the fact that it is a racquet ball room, noise bounces off the walls," Gray said. "And it can get pretty loud in there and you are ready to go at about 2 or 3 o'clock with a pounding headache."

The training staff is not the only ones suffering. During the trainers stay, the Ornelas Nautilus weight, room 212, has been working overtime, trying to not only accommodate TJC athletes and classes, but also provide a place where TJC students can work out. The students have had to take a back seat to these programs.

Freshman Matthew Broadbent, a Health and Kinesiology major who tries to get to the weight room 2 to 3 times a week, was asked to leave the weight room to accommodate for a class. Broadbent thought it would be a great idea to have a separate weight room, in the event that if a class or a sports team (i.e. volleyball, baseball and basketball) needed the weight room, the students would be able to leave and finish their workout in the other

weight room.

Being asked to leave without warning is not the only problem students have found with the room. Others have experienced overcrowding.

Sophomore and Radiology Technology major Lynn Jackson found that during the middle of the day she has had to deal with overcrowding. Jackson said she has learned to work around it, but still wishes the school had a second weight room.

"In case I was in there when the team came in, I would have somewhere else to go to finish lifting," Jackson said.

Due to all the problems caused by the construction, the training staff is excited to move into their new home.

"We're going to have a lot more space to do our job," freshman Sports Medicine major Mario Martinez said. "It's going to be a whole lot easier to keep clean."

The facility will provide the student trainers with their own personal locker room, three personal offices for the staff and a wet room for the coolers.

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### FOOTBALL

Oct. 23, 7:00 p.m. @ Lon Morris College  
Oct. 30, 3:00 p.m. @ Kilgore College

### Men's Soccer

Oct. 15, 7:00 p.m. vs. San Jacinto College-South  
Oct. 16, 11:00 a.m. vs. Coastal Bend College

### Women's Soccer

Oct. 16, 5:00 p.m. vs. Illinois Central College  
Oct. 21, 4:00 p.m. @ Navarro College

## Sports CALENDAR

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### Men's & Women's Golf

Oct 25-26: TJC Invitational  
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Oct. 20, 6 p.m. vs. Blinn College

Soccer Coach: Steve Clements

Volleyball Coach: Ronda Shirley • Golf Coach: Sandy Terry

Football Coach: Danny Palmer



TENNIS

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"For us to have our own wheelchair tennis team, would take an individual with limited mobility to say, 'Hey, let's have a team.'"

Peterson said, with hands rested and chair leaned backward, that with many organizations and clubs oriented around the sport, it would take little to no work to get the activity off the ground.

"All we really need is a good instructor to help guide us coaches. I personally am not experienced in wheelchair tennis, but I don't have a problem with helping out here and there," said Peterson.

"Everything is set in front of us. Both facilities, the Brookshire and Murphy courts were designed to accommodate wheelchair accessibilities, so it would only be a natural to get things started."

Kathy Grant, nursing school major explained the challenges of getting those physically challenged involved in activities, primarily sports.

"I have a family member with a disability, and patience is something that must be learned when tackling a issue like this. All individuals with physical challenges have to do is ask to be included and with TJC's many departments and organizations, that need can be made a reality. It just takes one person," Grant said.

TJC's tennis department is ready for change, but the need is up to individuals who want to get involved.

"Wheelchair tennis would be a great addition, but we need students who are committed and willing to play their best," Peterson said.

"Anything that grows tennis is good for me ... and if we have to recruit wheelchair players from across the states, then we can do that too. It's something that I don't know for sure how to help with, but I am willing and committed to learn," Peterson said.

"The easiest thing is to let life slap you around and pass you over, but I'm always thankful for people like Randy Snow, who keep on fighting and others who work extremely hard with handicapped individuals. It takes a really special person to do what they do, and a really determined person to step up, and ask to be included," said Peterson.

Wheelchair tennis 06" WORLD CUP!



Left: Geoffrey Norton Right: Lee Hinson sitting with bandana in wheelchair and across from him seated as well, Jon Rydberg. The group was apart of the Men's Team USA on a change over during a doubles match in Brazil World Cup, 06'.

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"The new one is going to be bigger than our old one which was already probably the biggest one in the conference," Grey said.

Nov. 1, but there is hope for construction to be done by mid or late October.



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TJC athletes are shown having their ankles wrapped in the new weight room after football practice.

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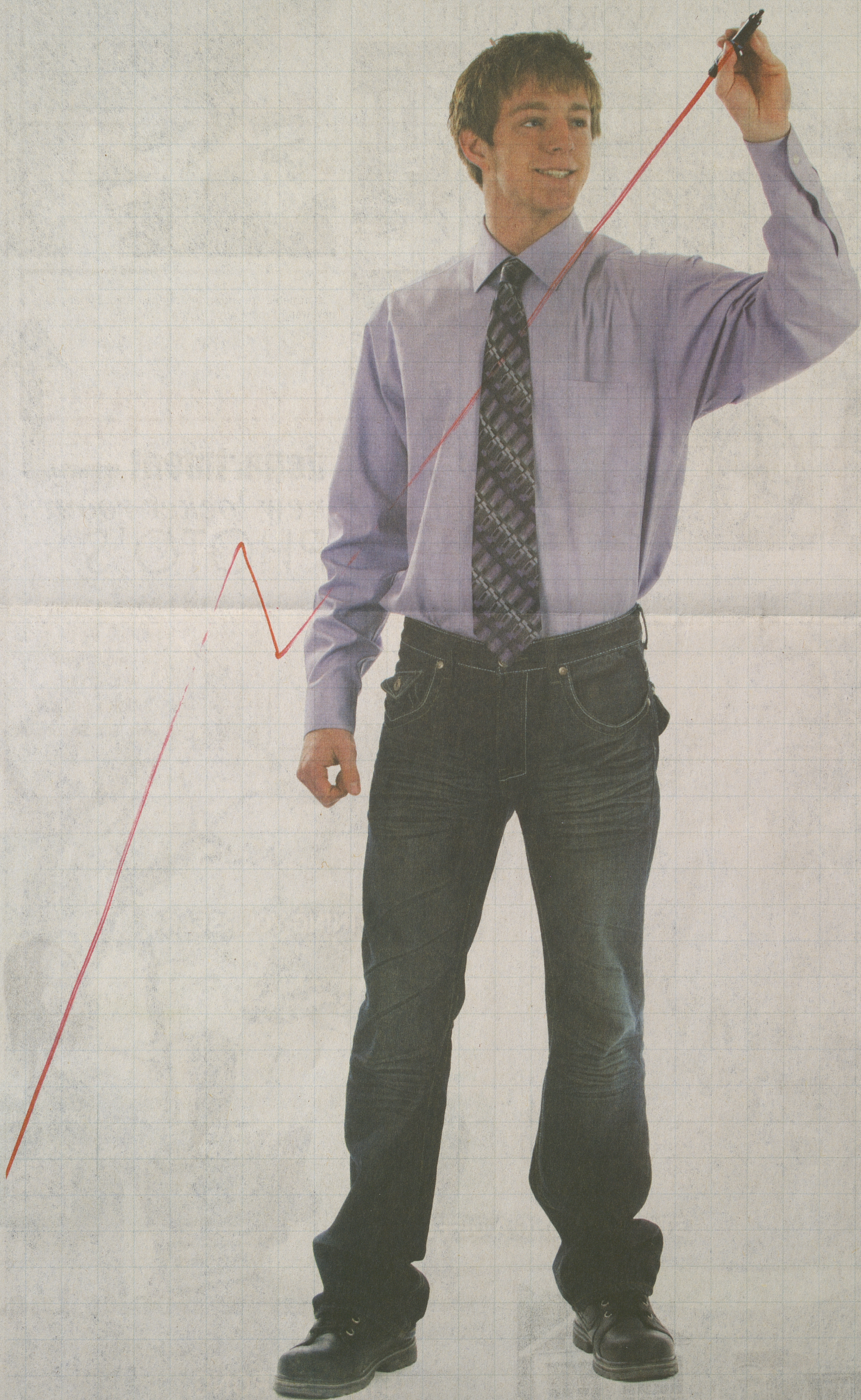
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Meier Cyber Bullying Prevention Act into the House on May 22, 2008. The bill states that any sort of electronic communication with the intent to harass or harm another person will be made a federal crime, which is punishable by a fine and/or two years in prison. This bill is already under fire because some say the bill is unconstitutional. The Internet is already unregulated so government interference is redundant due to lack of control.

Some might wonder who Megan Meier even was and what prompted this bill. Meier was a 13-year-old girl from Dardenne Prairie, MO. who thought she was becoming friends with a 15-year-old boy from Myspace when in reality it was her 50-year-old neighbor Lori Drew. Drew became Meier's friend to gain information about her, which she then used

against her. Drew stated she did this to get back at Meier for spreading rumors about her daughter. The "boy" persona from Myspace that Drew created began to harass Meier and allegedly drove her to suicide. Drew has since been indicted by a Federal Grand Jury and the city has passed an ordinance making online harassment a crime that is punishable by a \$500 fine and 90 days in jail.

Cases like these could have been prevented. Bullying is a growing problem in today's society. Why can't everyone just be nice to each other and get along? No one gets along with every person but everyone deserves courtesy and respect. Hopefully by taking measures like these, bullying will become less of a problem. Just remember sticks and stones can break your bones, but words can definitely hurt too.

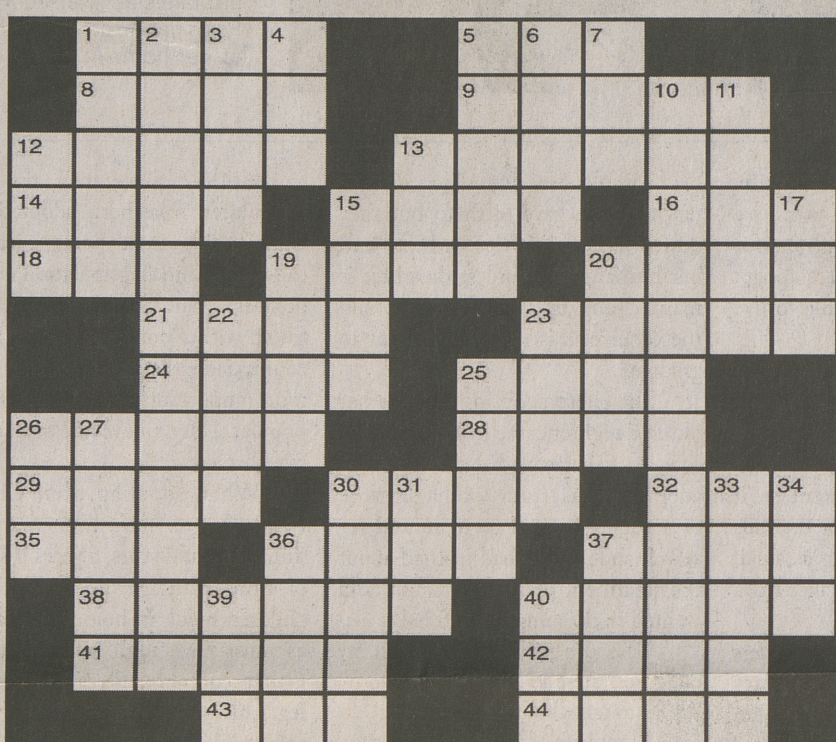
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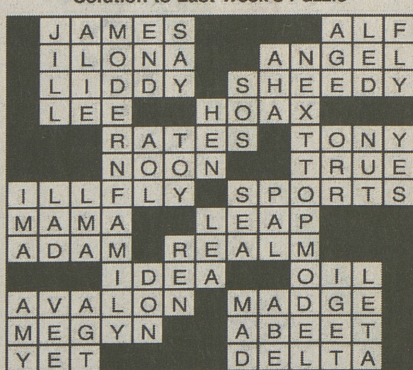


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a football player and a father to handle responsibility," TJC assistant coach Robert Mahon said. "At a young age, kids tend to look up to their parents, so the father has to set a good example for their children."

College students sacrifice a lot when they leave home to attend the college of their choice. They're away from their family and friends so it makes it hard to maintain a constant relationship.

"The hardest thing about being away from my child is I will not get to see her learn new things at a very young age," said TJC wide receiver Stephen Alfred. Alfred is from Newton, Texas, which is about 3 hours from Tyler and has a 2-year-old daughter back home.

"I just want to be there to watch my daughter grow and be the father that she deserves because I will do what it takes to provide for her," Alfred added.

Furthermore, being away from home and families, players most likely are prone to developing a close relationship with their coaches on and off the field.

Outside of football, some players might need guidance at times towards personal issues

or some things they only feel comfortable talking to their coach about.

"Even though I do not have kids, I view my players as my kids," Coach Mahon said. "We develop a close relationship on and off the field, which makes us connect better on different levels."

An important part of being a father is setting a positive example for your kids. As they grow older and become smarter, a child will tend to look up to their parents as role models and an influence to hopefully do great things in life.

"I believe in my child following in my footsteps and going to college after high school one day," Williams said. "Getting an education will better myself as a father and I want my child to have the same effect on her family when she gets older. That's why after TJC I want to attend the University of Houston so I can be close to my daughter so we can spend time together at home or take her to the mall or Chuck E. Cheese and be there for her when she needs me."

Normally, if an athlete is playing football beyond high school well into college, he has his sights set on seeing how far playing football can take

him. Whether it is playing football to one day become a professional football player or using football to help them get through college with scholarships, an athlete will try to go as far as he can to get the most out of life.

"I hope to expand my life far after I graduate from college, hopefully having a chance to play pro football," Hood said. "Wherever I go or stay, I want my son to be with me so he can look at me as the strong father I am trying to be for him and when he grows up he don't have to look back and see that he had a negative father that didn't want to do anything with his life."

Besides the father, the mother also knows that it is great for her child to have a father that is going to involve himself in that child's life and wants the best for that child.

"Maurice is a wonderful father and our son loves him so much," Miller said. "He is always asking about him when he is gone dealing with school and football and in the future I feel Maurice will be an even better father because he will be older and understand life more."

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can't come to an understanding with them," said Brittney Tyler, Chloe's former roommate. "Chloe and I came from two totally different walks of life and a lot of the time it was very difficult for us to reach an understanding, but at the end of the day we did. Most of all we developed a friendship," said Tyler.

Through the year Casse developed friendships, learned lessons and a lot about herself.

"Being a first year student was a lot of fun because I got the chance to engage in school activities, make friends and enjoy the college life," said Casse. "I also learned something very valuable from living here at TJC. I learned that when put in a situation that your not used to, you have to learn to adapt. Choosing to

adapt made life here that much better," said Casse.

Casse's decision to adapt really became evident when she was chosen to be the R.A. of Hudnall Hall her sophomore year at TJC.

"I applied to be an R.A. because I got along so well with the other residents. I'm a people person and I knew it would be a great way for me to meet many more people," said Casse. "When I was actually chosen, I was so excited about being an R.A. I could now put together programs for residents to come to and get to know each other, giving someone who is in a situation like mine the opportunity to make new friends."

"Chloe was an amazing R.A. She followed all of the rules but still tried her best

to make sure that all of the residents were having a good time," said Jessica Stephens, former Hudnall Hall resident. "I could just tell that she was the perfect person for the job. It was like she understood where all of us were in our lives and tried to make that sometimes uncomfortable place as comfortable as she could," said Stephens.

Following the semester of being an R.A., Casse was soon chosen to be an R.D. of Hudnall Hall. She was placed in a room with a stove, bathroom, living room and bedroom all to herself. Casse had become Ms. Independent in a matter of two years, with a positive attitude and hope.

"To those who are considering taking big steps that you know could change your life in a drastic way, go in fully focused and don't be afraid to follow your heart because God has a plan for you and you'll always know when the time is right," said Casse.



Photo by April Miller  
**THINKING OF HOME:** Chloe Casse looks at the airplanes at Tyler Pounds Regional Airport and thinks of her home in South Africa.

ADOPTION

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Texas."

"Hope for 100's goal is to try and find homes for 100 children," said Jeanne Hines, Receptionist for Green Acres Baptist Church.

Mitch and Joan Andrews were blessed with their beautiful son three days after he was born in September 2009. The adoptive mother chose the Andrews as the couple she wanted raising her son.

They were married for 20 years and were unable to conceive their own child. That's when they decided on adopting a child. Although they weren't able to choose the child, they are happy and truly blessed with their beautiful son. Clayton turned 1 on Sept 26; he loves giraffes.

"The process can be long and

there are many different classes we had to attend in preparation before adopting but it was worth it to receive such a precious gift from God," said Andrews.

The paperwork, classes, meeting of birth mother and birth father before he was born were just a few things families go through before finalizing adoption.

Dr. Eijnsink, who is the physician at the ETMC clinic on campus, has also adopted two gorgeous little girls from China. Shirin who is 9, and the newest addition Kaya is 5; they attend school at Jackson Elementary.

Dr. Eijnsink and her husband went through Chinese Children Adoption International. Hope Cottage, which is in Dallas TX, is the agency here in

the United States that helped them. They did not have to travel to China. The agency chose her daughters for her. It took them five years to get their youngest. She just came to live with them in July.

"Kaya and Shirin have changed our lives. We love our daughters and everyday it's a new and exciting adventure," said Eijnsink.

The cultures are different so it is an adjustment process for the kids and the families, something as small as flushing the toilet still makes Kaya nervous.

"Since adopting my daughters my eyes are open to another country and I have a open heart. I love them just like I gave birth to them," said Eijnsink.

Eijnsink has two older daughters that she gave birth to but they don't live here in Tyler with her and her husband. Her oldest daughter is married and lives in California and the other one is in college about to graduate.

She chose adopting because her oldest daughter came in one day from school and suggested at the age of 13, adopting kids from China because of a paper she had to write and research about. She had learned about the treatment of kids in China and wanted to do something to help.

"The idea stuck with me and my daughters are one of my most favorite things to talk about," said Eijnsink

According to China.adoption.com, adopting kids from China be-

gan in 1992. Since then, thousands of children have been adopted from China, 90 percent being girls because of China's population control policies. One abandoned baby was found with a note that read: "In our countryside, the thought that man is more important than woman is very popular. I don't have the strength to overthrow it."

When adopting from China a couple has to have been married a minimum of 2 years, 5 years if second or third marriage, no more than 4 children living in home, both spouses must have high school diploma. Other requirements regarding health, legal history and income play major role in adopting.

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